



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2752

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The YMCA of Arcadia Speer Center Renovation project will transform the historic Speer Center into a multipurpose YMCA program center, primarily providing high-quality childcare services, youth programs, and adult education. Funding will support renovations, construction, and FF&E.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?  No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	250,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>250,000</b>

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	250,000	12%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	500,000	26%
Other	1,200,000	62%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>1,950,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?  No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?  No

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

## Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

10. Status of Construction



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a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning   
  Design   
  Construction   
  N/A

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

12/1/2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2025

e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?

Ongoing operations and maintenance will be funded through program revenue, local government support, private donations, and grants. The YMCA will generate sustainable funding via childcare tuition, membership fees, and community partnerships to ensure long-term viability.

11. List the owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.

The City of Arcadia owns the facility and has partnered with the YMCA of Southwest Florida, Inc., which will operate the renovated Speer Center. The YMCA will manage programming, childcare services, and community initiatives while maintaining and utilizing the facility for public benefit.

12. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Funds will cover construction and renovation costs, including structural repairs, HVAC, plumbing, electrical upgrades, flooring, roofing, ADA compliance modifications, and interior refurbishments to create safe, functional spaces for childcare and community programs. Funds will be used for FF&E, including classroom furnishings, kitchen appliances, safety equipment, technology for program delivery, gym and activity room equipment, and office furniture to support childcare and community programs.	250,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>250,000</b>

13. Program Performance

a. What specific purpose or goal will be achieved by the funds requested?



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The requested funds will support the renovation and transformation of the historic Speer Center in Arcadia, FL, into a multipurpose YMCA program center. This project will primarily provide high-quality childcare services while also offering youth and adult programs based on community needs. Funding will cover renovation, construction, and FF&E, ensuring a safe, modern, and functional space that enhances accessibility and strengthens community services.

**b. What activities and services will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?**

The renovated Speer Center will provide high-quality childcare, afterschool programs, youth development initiatives, and adult education classes. Additional services will include health and wellness programs, workforce training, and community engagement activities, ensuring a multi-use space that meets the diverse needs of Arcadia residents.

**c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?**

The funding will support direct services including affordable childcare, early learning programs, afterschool care, and youth enrichment activities. Additionally, the center will offer adult education, job training, wellness programs, and community events, providing a safe and accessible space that enhances opportunities for Arcadia residents of all ages.

**d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?**

The target population includes economically disadvantaged individuals, at-risk youth, jobless persons, preschool and school-age students, and the general community in Arcadia. The project is expected to serve 800+ individuals, providing essential childcare, education, workforce training, and wellness programs.

**e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?**

The project will enhance economic self-sufficiency through childcare and workforce training, create jobs, improve education, and promote physical health. Outcomes will be measured by enrollment, job placement, income growth, student progress, and health program participation.

**f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract?**

Return of percentage of state funds until deliverables or performance measures are met.

**14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster?**

**a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?**

- Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)
- Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)
- Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infrastructure)

**b. Name of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):**

**15. Has the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?**

- Yes, Applied
- Yes, Received
- No
- No, but intends to apply

**a. If yes, provide the FEMA project worksheet ID#:**



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**b. Provide the total project cost listed on the FEMA project worksheet:**

**16. Has the entity applied for or received state assistance for this project (other than this request)?**

- Yes, Applied
- Yes, Received
- No
- No, but intends to apply

**a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):**

**17. Requester Contact Information**

**a. First Name**  **Last Name**

**b. Organization**

**c. E-mail Address**

**d. Phone Number**  **Ext.**

**18. Recipient Contact Information**

**a. Organization**

**b. Municipality and County**

**c. Organization Type**

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (please specify)

**d. First Name**  **Last Name**

**e. E-mail Address**

**f. Phone Number**  **Ext.**

**19. Lobbyist Contact Information**



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a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

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